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IMPROVE, ENLARGE EDUCATION FACILITIES

SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS RISE -- Sofia, Vecherni Novini, 7 Sep 51

During 1950, 11,740 students (20 percent more than in 1949) graduated from special institutes and higher educational institutions. During the first half of 1951, 3,289 specialists graduated from these institutions, 172,599 students graduated from general institutions of learning, 5,457 students graduated from intermediate vocational schools, and 6,289 students graduated from trade schools. During the first half of this year, 74,821 persons attended schools of various types; and 10,372 persons attended schools for adults.

Sofia, Vecherni Novini, 5 Sep 51

This year, over one million children are attending school; of these, over 29,000 are attending school in Sofia. During the past 7 years, new schools were opened in 1,161 localities, and there are over 8,353 schools now in existence. In the past, there were only 26,000 teachers in Bulgaria, while, at present, they number 45,000.

Sofia, Vecherni Novini, 31 Aug 51

During this year, 29 industrial and technical schools have been opened. The new industrial schools will admit 3,613 students and the technical schools, 1,520 students.

In 1943, 14,705 students attended higher educational institutions, while during the 1950 - 1951 school year, their number rose to 29,679. Of these, 19 percent were the children of blue collar workers, 38 percent of white collar workers, 30 percent of farmers, and 7 percent of artisans.

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Sofia, Otechestven Front, 16 Sep 51

It is estimated that this fall 5,000 Russian-language courses will be given and that these will be attended by 100,000 persons.

Sofia, Zemedelsko Zname, 5 Sep 51

The total number of schools of various types, excluding higher educational institutions, increased from 6,130 in 1944 to 6,910 in 1951. During 1950, the number of illiterate children decreased from 26,000 to 13,790.

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